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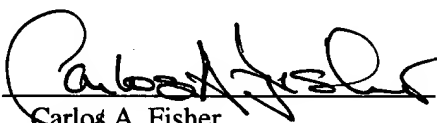
The Examiner has also made an election of species requirement in which a particular compound of formula 3 must be selected. Applicants elect to proceed with the prosecution of claims drawn to the compound, with reference to formula 3, in which $X = C(CH_3)_2$; $R_1 = H$, $R_2 = H$, R_3 and R'_3 are both CH_3 and are both bonded to the C8 carbon, $R_4 = CH_3$, $Y = \text{phenyl}$, A is absent (i.e., $q=0$), and $B = COOH$.

Finally, Applicants elect to prosecute the species of the indicated claims in which the condition to be treated is hypocholesterolemia.

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